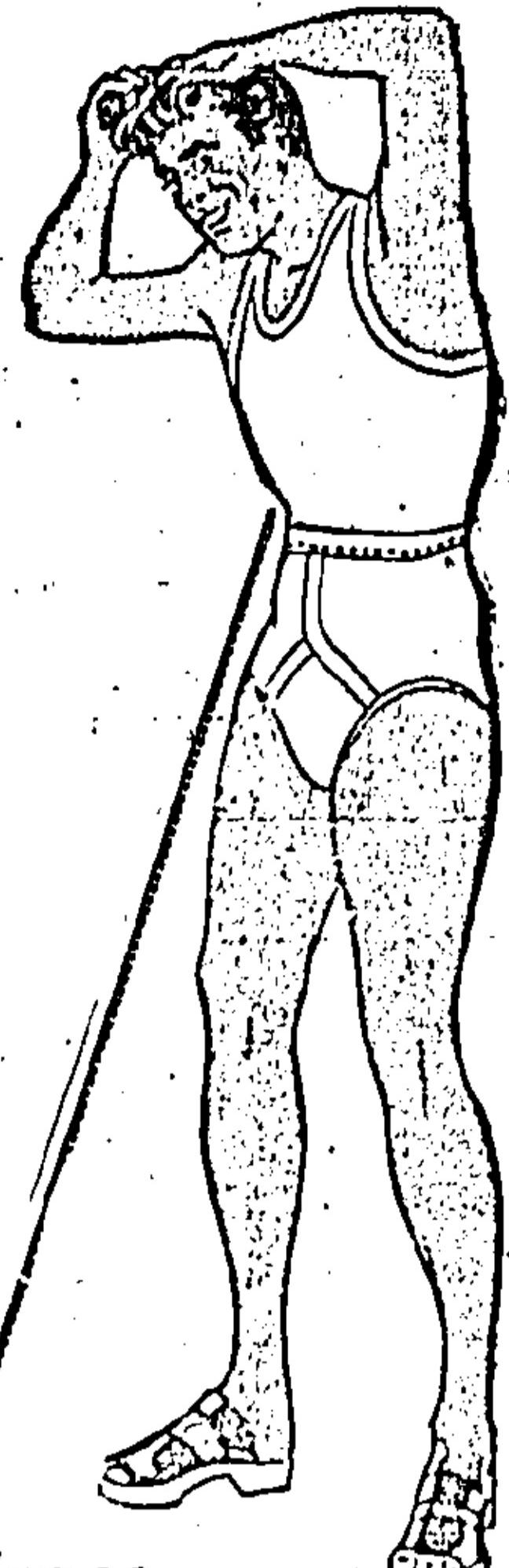




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## WOMANSENSE

### THE IDEAL HOME COMES WITHIN EASIER REACH

London.

THAT very reliable barometer of British skill, craftsmanship and ingenuity in domestic manufacture, the Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition, the 26th edition of which opened at Olympia on March 1, does not merely register "Set Fair." Nor does it only give practical and encouraging proof that Britain is rapidly outgrowing the Age of Utility and Shortages. It eloquently spotlights the great advances industry has made in improving the comfort and enjoyment of the home—a progress which can not last be measured in comparison with pre-war standards of quality.

The centre piece of this exhaustive and exhausting show is an elegant cream building roofed with glass silk, draped in crimson plush curtains and lighted by crystal chandeliers, and filled with the very best that is being produced today—thick grey Wilton carpets, Royal Worcester dinner services, gleaming Sheffield silver, Brierley crystal vases, hand-embroidered Irish linen, finely carved mahogany Chippendale furniture and a host of other luxurious articles which recall the splendour of the stately mansions of two centuries ago allied to the inventiveness of up-to-date applied science.

One way they are going to meet these claims, as far as town-dwellers are concerned, is through a modern version of the three-storey terrace, a whole section of which has been constructed at Olympia. Where land is scarce, as in built-up areas, building in three storeys has special advantages, and it does enable larger families to have a house and a private garden instead of living in a flat.

It is disadvantages in the past with long dark staircases to climb and descend, to clean and carpet, the difficulties of keeping the place adequately warm—have largely been eliminated. There will be shorter stairways, no attics and no basement, and up-to-date heating and a roof terrace are some of the best features of the new type.

Included in the same exhibit are two-storey maisonettes, which

have always been such a popular feature of the show.

Two-room flats and bed-sitting-rooms flats, all of which can be incorporated in three-storey development, or in blocks of new flats.

Another sign of the times is that for the first time since 1939 there are houses for sale. The time has not yet come when one can freely survey a housing estate, select a house and say: "I will buy that" or call on a builder and say: "Build me one on these specifications," but the houses on view can be built for those able to obtain a building licence which, mainly, means those who can prove to their local authority their need of a house and their capability to obtain one which meets the regulations of the present day.

Now that some 250,000 war-damaged houses have been repaired, converted or adapted, and some 600,000 new homes (including 157,000 "temporaries") have been built, the Ministry of Health is turning its attention to the claims of more diversified housing and to build larger houses for large families, and smaller dwellings for young married couples, old people, and the bachelor or spinster.

For the two contrasting designs, the larger has a modern cottage look, with a high-pitched roof, rustic brick, a projecting canopy porch, a picturesque chimney stack, and a loggia running the length of the building at the back, while the "Davies" house is of more traditional design, with large bay windows, an attractive gable and covered porch.

There is also a shock for those who still think of "prefabrication" in terms of glorified Nissen huts. The Hawksley House looks like a traditional brick one—but it is planned on unusual lines. Its whole interior comes in ready-made sections from the factory—shells of walls into which concrete is poured on the site—and the outer walls can be brick or stone. Again concrete columns and steel beams with outer walls of special concrete slabs have made the Unity House the speediest ever constructed at Olympia: it looks like a countryhouse with gay window-boxes, but it took only three days to erect.

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All these houses contain many innovations. One has a glass wool blanket under the roof, another a coating of aluminum foil behind the wall surfaces for heat insulation. The "Davies" is entirely lit by fluorescence, and the cottage contains a variable electric lamp which can be "turned down" various degrees to a night-light.

New labour-saving devices which have been catching the eye of housewives include a kitchen unit with a plastic top to withstand the heat of kettle or saucepan; a modern cooker with a transparent door placed at such a height that it is not necessary to stoop to see with in and which opens with a foot pedal; a combination dish-and-clothes-washer; an illuminated "mushroom" for drying, which shows every strand of the sock under repair; a hygienic hot-air dryer in which the housewife can sink her hands, dispensing with hand-towels; double-decker pressure cookers; a three-way compartment for separating foods; nursery furniture on which the children may scribble without fear of reprimand; hot-plate serving wagons which keep meals hot until late arrivals and stay-abed folk; and an electric toaster which automatically ejects the two slices of bread when they have been cooked according to plan.

How can you guess? Getting the fixings for a synthetic complexion is often a tough job.

Of one thing you may be sure, carmine for the cheeks and bright red for the lips are old stuff. Not subtle enough for the modern moment. You must find more delicate tones.

Rouge and lipstick can be divided into three classes; the true reds, like geranium; the reds with a blue undertone like raspberry or wine; and those that have a golden cast like an Oriental poppy. Which one you select depends upon the character and colouring of the skin that can range from the palest pink to sallow or beige.

At many beauty shops and cosmetic counters you can

### Choosing Rouge and Lipstick



Courtesy Richard Hudnut  
After choosing the right shade of rouge to harmonize with your skin, apply it very sparingly high on the cheek. Then, using fingers,

blend.

BY HELEN FOLLETT

OFF on a cosmetic binge, you suit a rouge chart. Stand at the toilette before the counter and pinch your cheeks until they glow. Nature may give you the perfect answer to your problem. You can choose a liquid, cream or compact rouge, whichever you like.

The compact, of course, is the most popular because it is convenient to carry about with one, easy to apply. Cream rouge is best for the dry skin. Liquid rouge has never been very popular, but women who use it are loud in its praise because there need be no retouching during the day.

If you would experiment with this type of factory blush dip a pledge of cotton in water, press it nearly dry, pour on a little of the red liquid, brush over the cheeks lightly. Place the colouring high to give accent to the eyes, freshness and vitality to the face.

### Let's Eat

BY  
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

### Unusual Apple Pie Recipe

Flaky Pastry Creamed Kalo "Geranium" Apple Pie Sharp Cheese Coffee or Tea Milk (Children) All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve Four

Chicken Braised with Onions

Since a plump 4 lb. fowl, remove the pin feathers, clean, scrub with mild soapy water, rinse thoroughly and drain. Rub inside and out with 1 tsp. powdered ginger. Dust with salt and pepper. Slow-fry all over in a heavy kettle in 1/4 c. fat. Add 2 lbs. peeled, mild white onions, and 2 c. boiling water. Cover, and simmer on top of the range 2 1/2 to 3 hrs., or until the chicken is fork-tender; the onion will be completely disintegrated. (Or use 3/4 c. water and pressure cook 35 min. at 15 lbs.) Make a gravy from the remaining liquid.

Creamed Kalo

Pick the fresh, clean leaves from 1 1/2 lbs. kalo. (Cook the stalks separately to use in a salad.) Add to the leaves 1 tsp. salt and 1 c. boiling water. Cover and slow-boil until tender, about 20 min. Chop and add 1/2 c. undiluted evaporated milk; stir in 1/4 c. butter or margarine, blended with 1/2 c. flour, 1/4 c. pepper, and a few grains nutmeg. Cook and stir until thick and creamy.

Covered "Geranium" Apple Pie

"Yet, these lovely growing plants demand only sunshine, water and a little plant food, and they will last all winter, I said."

"I like the geraniums you have spotted among the other plants. They make a nice bit of colour," he bent down and sniffed. "Ah, this is a rose geranium," he remarked. "I shall take a leaf now and then to add to the filling for flavour in my apple pie."

Fine, Chef. We will call it "geranium apple pie—and—"

"We'll have one for our dinner dessert," he said, laughing at my enthusiasm."

Mint Sauce

"And of course you are right in saying for lamb, a little chopped up in a tossed salad, in fruit drinks, and as a garnish for fruit cups," I observed.

"Oui, Madame, as is to the salads, with the fish, in soups, sprinkled over the vegetables, for parsnip potatoes, and as the garnish for food platters. By the way, do you not think the people make a mistake when they leave their parsley on the plate?"

"Indeed they do. Chef, Parfait is a valuable food. Although, we eat only small amounts, every bit contributes to our good health."

Mint flavoured apple pie very good. Just bake a sprig of fresh mint in the pie. And dust the top crust before baking with a little fine crushed mint candy for a new finish.

### The new Paris fashions—

\* Just released are these outline sketches of models from Paris. These figures are the latest sketches from the Jacques Fath collection. Right: Pierre Balmain gowns.



### would make ENGLISH husbands frown

By Eileen Ascroft

THE FALLACY that women dress to please men was exploded by Alison Settle, ex-editress of Vogue, at the "Design in Fashion" lunch in London.

"Married women certainly do not dress to please their husbands," says Mrs Settle. "If they did they would all look like timid mice."

How true that is. Most wives know that the dashing hat, gay new lipstick or coloured nylons will be frowned upon at home, though greatly admired elsewhere on other models.

Englishmen do not take fashion seriously. That is probably the reason why the British fashion industry does not receive the backing it deserves.

The Frenchman, who takes an ardent interest in everything his wife puts on, views the French fashion industry very seriously indeed. As novelist James Lover pointed out in his reply to Mrs Settle: "The French cook well and make good clothes, because they take both seriously, L'estomac et l'amour."

No repeats

ONE woman who likes to buy her clothes in Paris is coloured dancer Katherine Dunholm, whose company is filling the Palais de Chaillot every night.

My Paris correspondent tells me that Pierre Balmain has designed an exclusive wardrobe for her, and that none of over 40. But here's good news

for women workers. Miss Hughes says: "A woman can always be pleased, providing she is capable whatever her work."

Dress news

SEERSUCKER evening dresses are here again, amusing Kangaroo pouch pocket on a draped crepe gown by Clive Duncan. . . . children's party frocks from which the odd spot can just be wiped away . . . detachable draped basque, with tiny train, worn either back or front on a violet wool frock (Ruhivis). . . . new colours for spring cotonnes are cherry pink and Shetland blue, chosen by the Queen and Princess Margaret for the Australian tour.

The skirt was first shown by a professional model in next black and white checks. Then three mothers-to-be, expecting their babies in seven months' time, showed the skirt in clerical grey flannel, brown tweed and pink belting wool.

Throughout the test, the skirt kept its crisp line and perfect hang.

If he keeps up the quality of his spring collection he should find a big clientele.

Perfection, 1949

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New York.—Beach queens in calico will cavort on American sands this summer, if Claire McDowell has her way.

Old-fashioned fabrics use in strictly new-fashioned ways are highlights of her new collection, as of many other top designers. Alpacas, calico, gingham and prewar pongee share honours in many collections with ultra-modern fabrics such as nylon net, taffeta and raincoats, lace and ribbons, gloves and hair-nets, fishing-lines and tennis shoes, rackets, climbing ropes, salts and swimsuits, ending up with an all-Nylon bedroom.

Cut prices

ONE of London's youngest designers, Paul du Lange, is trying to bring haute couture clothes within the reach of middle-class incomes. By cutting down on elaborate over-hends and doing his own cutting as well as designing, he manages to sell in the £30 region.

The youthful Claire McDowell makes her biggest news, as usual, with beach and play clothes. The author of the diaper swim suit of several years ago approaches the bare minimum this season with a bright green silk shantung bathing outfit, consisting of pleated brief bloomers and a bra consisting merely of two discs held on by a narrow string.

Incongruously, Miss McDowell shows with her super-brief swim suits voluminous "Mother Hubbard" beach coats. One such is in bold plaid cotton, worn with a matching suit.

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through the lines of a fork, and trim off the crust with scissors. Slash the top in three places and let the steam escape. Brush with milk to make the crust brown. Dust with 1/2 c. granulated sugar. Bake 10 min.

in a very hot oven, 450 F. Then reduce the heat to 350 F. and bake 40 min. longer.

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Dinner

Citrus Fruit Cup with Mint Chicken Braised with Onions

# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**VISITORS**—During a visit to the United Nations at Lake Success, New York, two college students stop to chat with two delegates. Here, left to right, Dr Mathur U. M. Jodhpur of India, Eve Osler of Montreal, Canada, Frances Edwards of Philadelphia, and Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton of Canada, get acquainted.



**END OF FLIGHT**—When it struck an electric light wire near Slingerlands, New York, this light plane landed too suddenly. The pilot was critically injured.



**JET PRACTICE**—US naval jet pilot Capt. James L. Witaker (in cockpit) gives last minute instructions to his ground crew at Roosevelt Roads Naval Base, Puerto Rico, before his Phantom takes off.



**IT STILL WORKS**—During the wartime rubber shortage, 72-year-old John Alpin Graydon developed this tire at his home in Ridgefield, New Jersey. Made from tightly rolled strips of old tire casings and attached to a rim, Graydon now uses it for a spare.



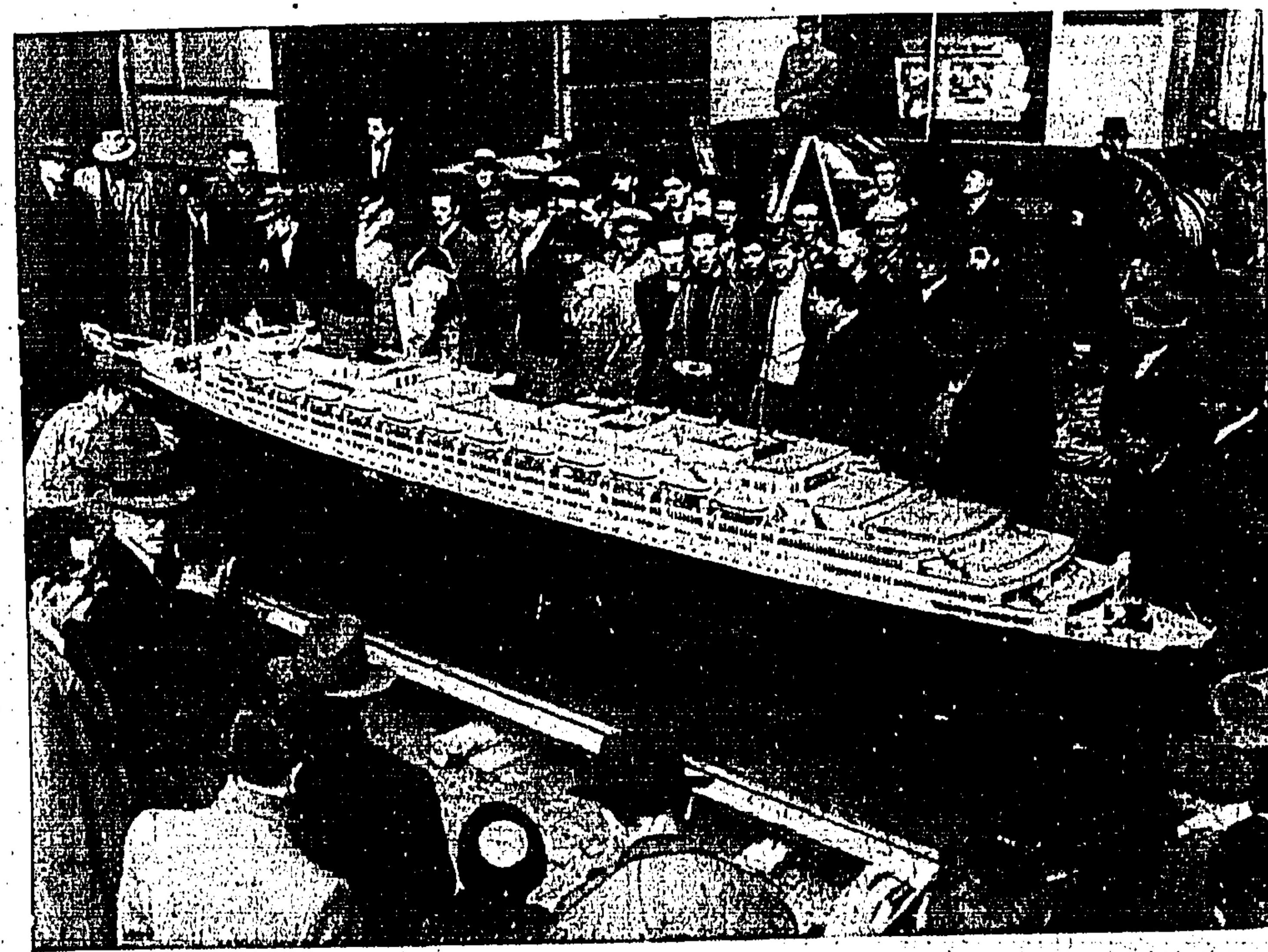
**LONG LEGGED**—Model Mella Armstrong displays a new bathing suit in Phoenix, Arizona. Designed to give the "long leg look," it is known as the powder-puff suit and has a fluffy skirt.



**THOSE PRICES!**—Housewives in Prague, Czechoslovakia, queue up for the first unrationed sale of scarce foodstuffs. After waiting three hours, some didn't even mind paying one shilling each for an egg, five shillings for a tin of sardines, 22-10 for half a pound of ham.



**FOR WAITING HOUSEWIVES**—The owner of a New York automatic laundry has installed a temporary art show to keep his customers happy. Here two housewives inspect some water colours as they wait for their laundry.



**LARGEST YET**—A crowd gathers round the 21-foot model of the liner Queen Elizabeth in New York—the biggest ever made of the world's largest liner. Built in England for the Cunard White Star Line, the ship's owners, it was sent to America to join the "float-on display" in the Cunard office.



**NET WORK**—Sandra Gutherie works on a net of her father's design in Morehead City, North Carolina. Widely popular with shrimpers, the nets are made so as to let small fish escape while holding the shrimp. This saves millions of fish every year.

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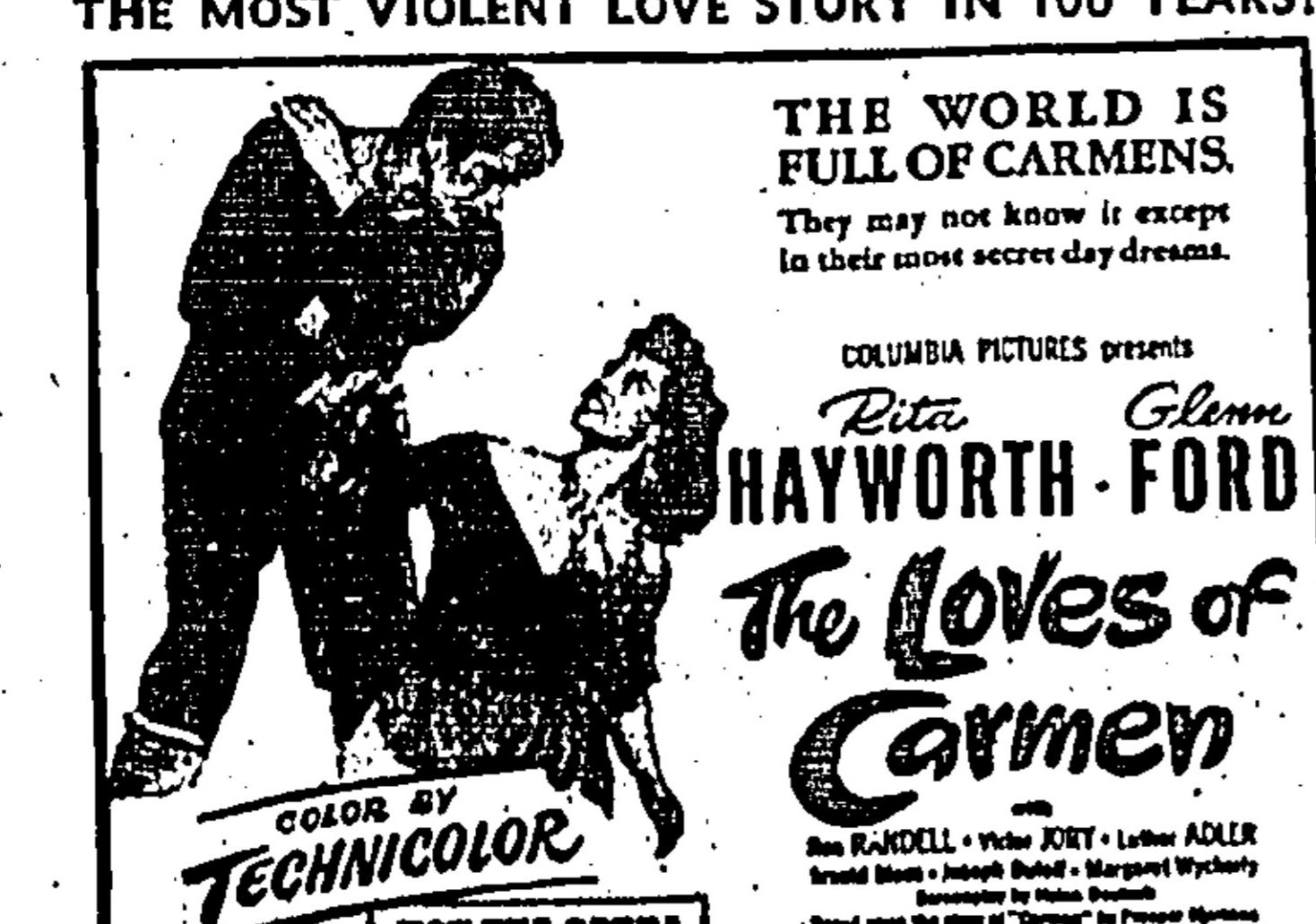


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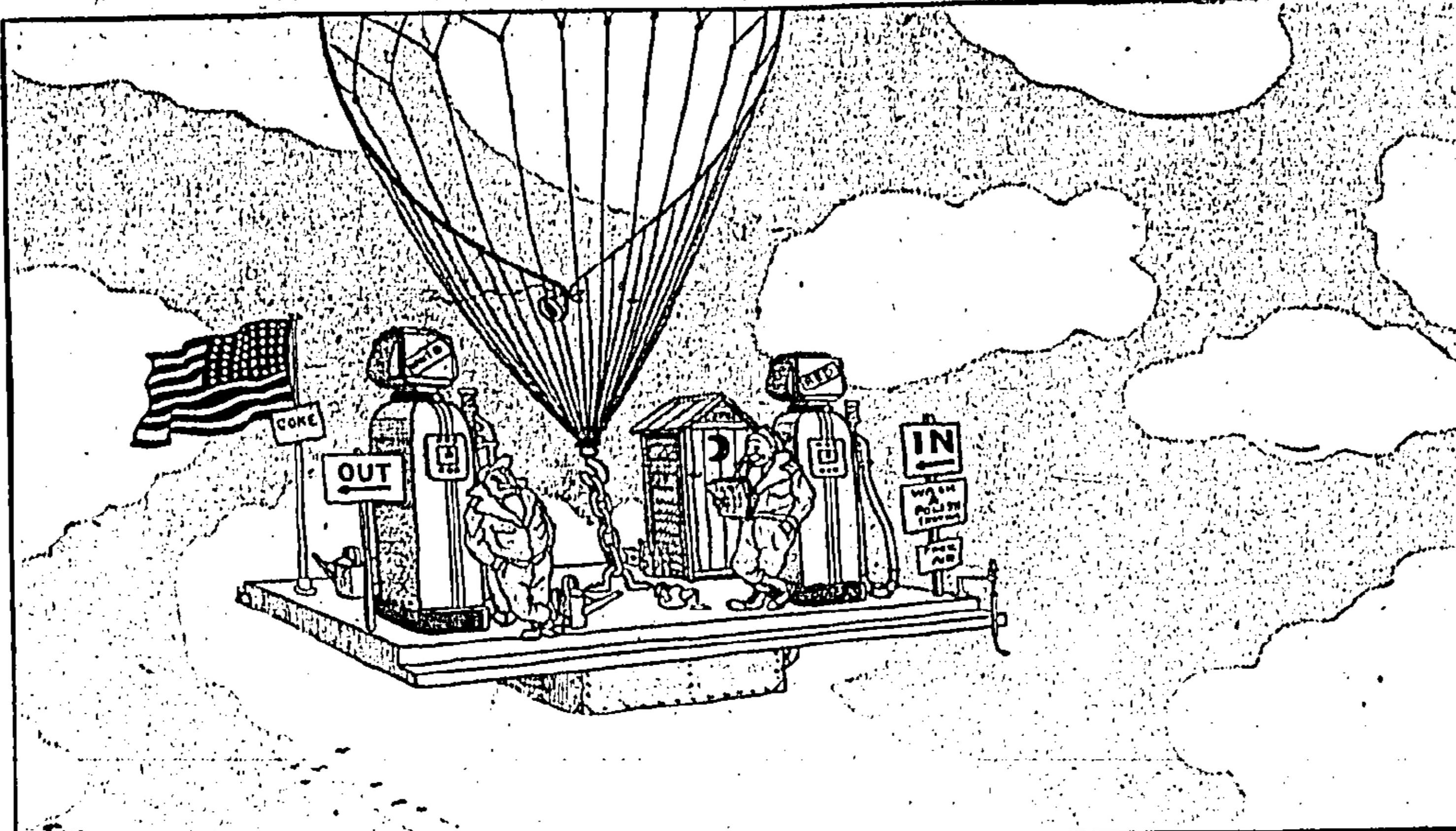
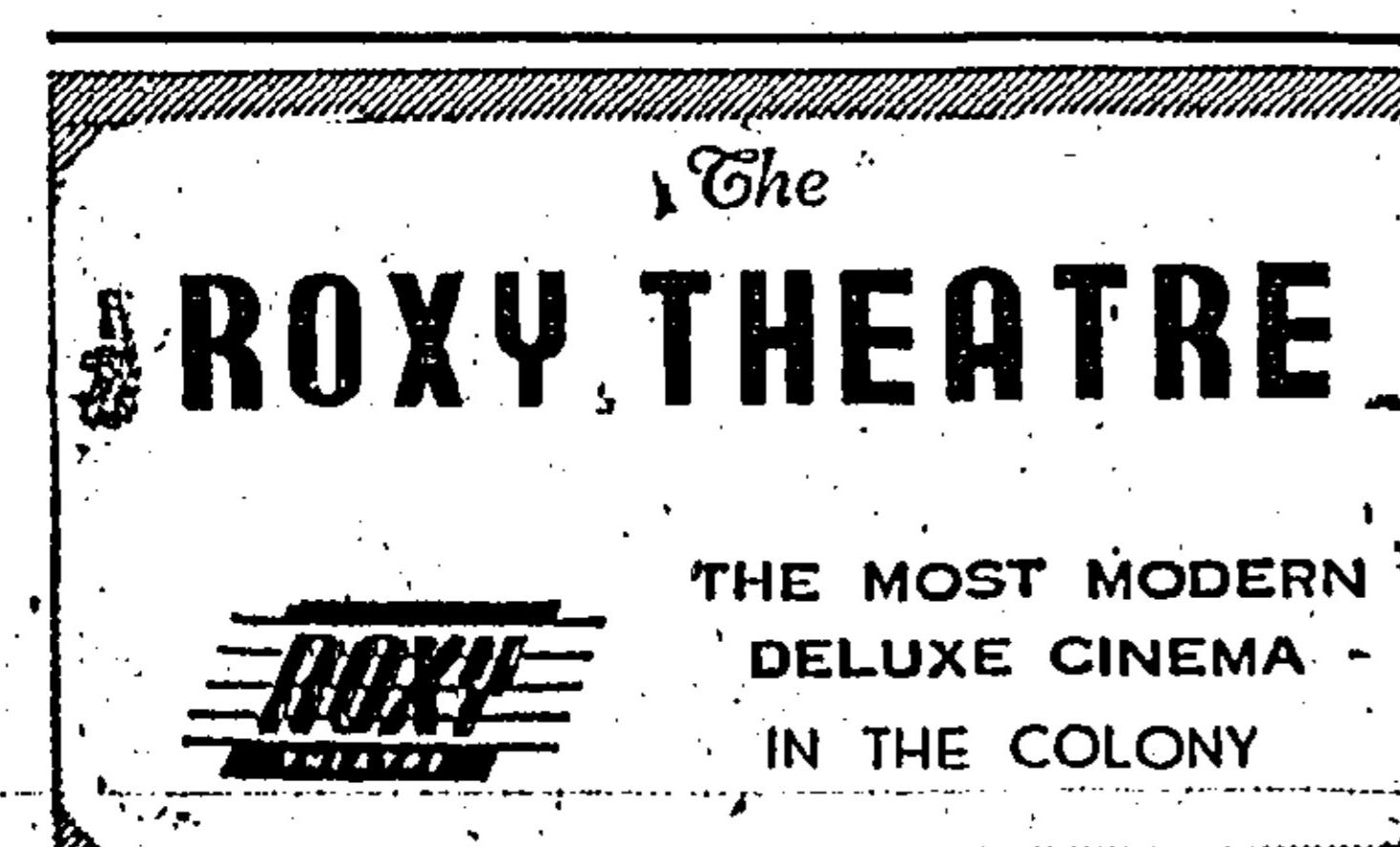
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NEXT CHANGE: "NO ORCHIDS FOR MISS BLANDISH"



Now this ridiculous illustration is an invitation to anybody to write and tell me that U.S. Superforts doing round-the-world-non-stop flights do not refuel in mid-air as shown here.

**I HAD MY HAIR DYED**

by David Niven

I WAS playing the part of a man who aged suddenly from 28 to 76.

"Well," said the assistant. "I'm not in any position to make decisions on matters of studio policy. Why don't you ask Mr Goldwyn?"

"Mr Goldwyn," I replied icily, "is on an island in mid-Pacific."

"Well, then," said the assistant make-up man hastily, "if you'll excuse me I have to collect Miss Evelyn Keyes' eyelashes before she goes to Mexico. Be seeing you."

That night at home the telephone rang; it was a certain Mr Hammacher-Schlemmer, one of the high officials of the studios.

"David," he said, "I have great news for you. Mr Goldwyn has made a deal with Sir Alexander Korda and you are off to England in three days to make The Elusive Pimpernel."

After making all the right noises about that piece of news, I brought up the question of my hair.

"Oh," said Mr Hammacher-Schlemmer, "let Korda worry about that—you are his property now."

"But Korda doesn't have it on top of his head all day!" I yelled. "It is not with him on his pillow at night, and, furthermore, he doesn't get whistled at in the streets like I do. Doesn't anybody know what to do with it?"

"Now, keep your hair on, David," said Mr Hammacher-Schlemmer (a tactless piece of advice, I thought), "we'll work something out."

**Anointed**

THE head operator soon appeared with a filthy-smelling witches' brew which she stirred at arm's length and, with the same disdainful gesture as a wartime mess orderly doling out spoonfuls of watery mashed potatoes, she deposited this foul concoction on our heads.

So, for Art (and for Goldwyn) I allowed myself to be led off to a Hollywood beauty parlour,

stripped to the waist, and draped in a sheet. I was then parked on a marble slab with about 20 women and girls, all, as far as I could judge, similarly attired.

Upon inquiry, I learned that the stuff in question was my hair.

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AS You Were

AS I gloomily hung up the receiver, a vista of horror stretched before me. There I was, about to go home to England, to family and old friends, a blooky—it was unthinkable. I hardly slept that night.

In the morning, Mr Hammacher-Schlemmer rang up again.

"It's okay, David, relax. It's all fixed, the beauty parlour will dye it back your own colour, and no one will know the difference."

"How long does this go on?"

"So, back I went to the witches' back under the sheet, and yes, back to the rum-bottle."

I began to feel panicky, and slightly sick. My sickness increased when I happened to catch sight of myself in a mirror, and there, peering sordorly at me, was a white-faced individual, draped in a shroud, and on top like a dirty yachting cap, a bank of pearl-grey scum.

After three hours of purgatory, which I had only managed to endure by bribing one of the under-witches to slip a bottle of rum under my sheet, I was washed off and shown the result. It was dreadful.

Back Home

FULL horror of my predicament did not strike me till I reached home and my faithful bull terrier (a good watch-dog) bit me in the leg.

Inside the house, my wife just hooted with laughter, and my youngest son asked me when his daddy was coming home.

The rest of the week was misery.

Finally, Stephanoff, who had gloomily shaken his head after each session in the torture chamber, delivered it as his considered opinion that we might just get away with it, but that it was a great disappointment to him.

Next there followed several weeks of work on the "old man" sequences of the film. I forgot about my hair 'till the last scene was shot, and the company dismissed.

Then I remembered it most vividly, but, as we left the sound stage, I saw Stephanoff's cut-wing out of the studio gates. It was piled high. I noticed, with sputters and flinging rods, I didn't like the look of this.

Deserted

"WHERE is Stephanoff going?" I asked. "Oh, he's going off on his holiday," said his assistant. "After all, he earned it."

"What?" I asked, "does the win an Academy Award for con-

Studio intend to do about my ceiling the best make-up of hair, or am I supposed to go 1948."

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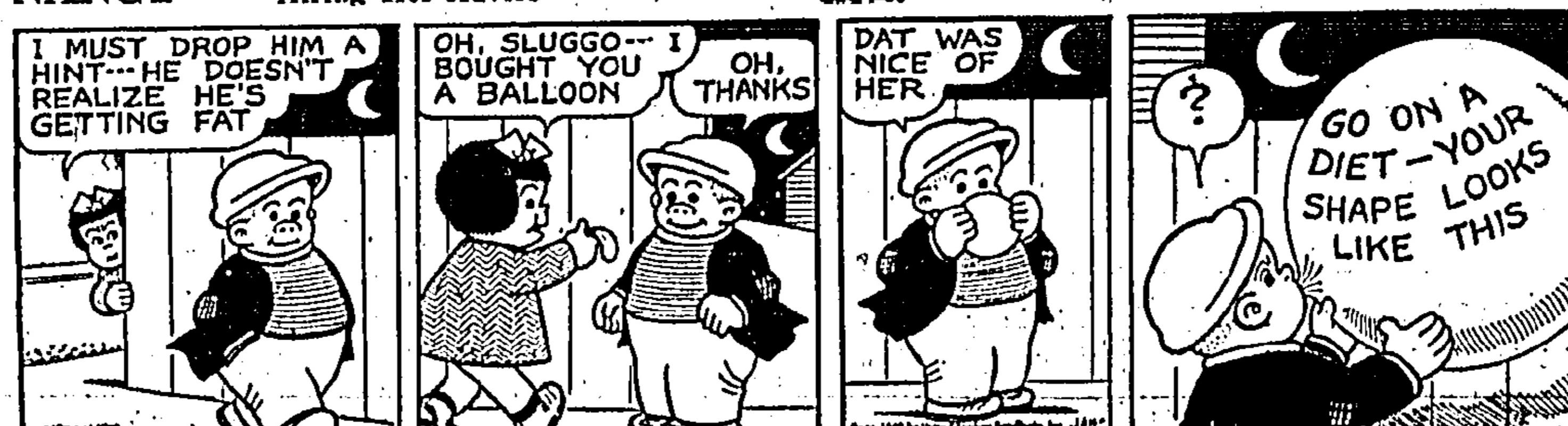
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## "GREAT PROGRESS" REPORTED

The "great progress" made by the Hongkong Tramways Limited since the war was referred to at the annual meeting of the Company held in the board room of Messrs Jardine, Matheson this morning, with Mr Robert Gordon (Chairman) presiding.

Mr Gordon said that with the expected completion next week of the join-up between Causeway Bay terminus and King's Road the Colony would soon possess an absolutely first class arterial highway through this district.

Mr Gordon, in his speech, revealed that the tramcars had carried 8,000,000 more passengers than the pre-war highest record. A profit of \$3,700,158 was reported for the year.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:

The year has been an extremely satisfactory one from every point of view. By January 1948 had achieved the provision of regular services just about equivalent to the 1941 average of 90 tramcars. Progress was sustained to the level of 89 cars in the month of December and at the present time the figure is 103.

Thus we have been able to carry some 8,000,000 passengers more than the pre-war highest record and this, with a very marked improvement from the disorderly overcrowding that obtained throughout 1946 and far on into the year 1947.

During the recent Chinese New Year period, when a service of up to 106 cars was operated, nearly 2,000,000 passengers were carried in one week. This was a 30% heavier traffic than for Chinese New Year 1948.

These new standards mark a level considerably higher than ever before attained. A schedule of 40 seconds headway throughout the central districts is now maintained against the 1941 highest frequency of 45 seconds. All past records for mileage run, consumption of power, tickets issued in their several classifications, passengers per car-mile and total traffic carried have been left far behind; with the particular feature, entirely contrary to the pre-war relationship, that the most notable increase has been in first class traffic which currently registers a proportion of almost one-half of the whole.

Twenty-one and a half million more passengers were carried than in the preceding year and 53% percent of that increase is represented by additional first class passengers, although our expanded operations provided, proportionately, greater additional third class accommodation.

### SCHOLARS' TICKET

Popularity of our special rate monthly ticket is unabated. There are now 37 percent regular users of this ticket that in 1941 and the nominal roll of holders grows from month to month. Similar to the first class military ticket, a half-share children's ticket was introduced in September.

Initially, although the latter ticket was current during only four months of the year 13,000,000 passengers availed themselves of these concessions. Conforming to pre-war practice it is the intention, shortly, to issue a similarly reduced scholars' ticket.

Although we are still handicapped to some extent in the matter of the supply of electrical equipment, I am glad to report that, generally speaking, the delay in obtaining supplies to which I referred last year has been substantially relieved.

Consequently, the first three new trams, intended for as far back as 1945 are now in service, the remainder in course of workshop assembly; and, provided up-to-date delivery promises for some outstanding components are honoured, it is expected to have completed the full rehabilitation of all rolling stock and the construction of new units up to a total of 118 service cars by autumn, 1949. Equipment orders for bringing into commission six further cars have also been placed.

In connection with this development, I should mention that considerable expenditure is being incurred in technical, safety device and constructional modernisation, including a standardised replacement in traction-motor specification, entrance and exit control and air-powered braking. Air brakes additional to the rheostatic electric, and hand-operated brakes are now fitted to 65% of our cars. Outstanding deliveries of this equipment for the remainder will be reaching us during the summer months.

### NEW ROADWAY

In addressing you last year I made particular mention of the projected realignment of a new roadway along the Causeway Bay section at raised levels. Our construction of an entirely re-laid track and permanent-way foundations over this road began in the path of Government work in October. Join-up between Causeway Bay terminus and King's Road of the new eastbound track was effected on the 6th instant with recommencement of uninterrupted two-way through traffic. Our part of the work in this undertaking is expected to be completed next week and the Colony will shortly possess an absolutely first class arterial highway through this district.

Long serving senior officials, Mr V. Walker, Chief Engineer & Assistant Manager, and Mr H. W. Hammond, Traffic Superintendent, are both retiring this year after 28 years

service. Mr Walker and Mr Hammond will leave us with the Company's full appreciation of their long and devoted services and the good wishes of all their colleagues. In conclusion I wish to express congratulations to all ranks in the Company's service upon the highly satisfactory outcome in every respect of a year of work well done.

I now propose the following resolution.—

"That the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948, as presented, be adopted, and that a final dividend of \$1.00 per share less tax, hereby declared, be paid for the year 1948."

### SECONDER'S SPEECH

Seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, Mr A. H. Penn said:

Your review, Sir, of the operations and work which have been carried out in the year 1948 and the indications which you give us of further considerable development in project, certainly reflect maintenance of the very great progress our Company has made in the post-war years. Members, I feel sure, will join me in congratulating the Directors and all in the Company's service upon these gratifying results.

I would like to associate myself with your remarks in regard to the retirement from the Company of Mr Walker and Mr Hammond and, here again, I feel that all members will wish me to express the hope that their long years of service will be rewarded by many happy years of retirement.

I now have much pleasure in seconding the resolution for the adopting of the Report and Accounts as proposed by the Chairman.

### RE-ELECTIONS

On the proposal of Mr C. N. Kong, seconded by Mr J. T. Choy, the Hon Sir Man-kam Lo and Mr H. D. Benham were re-elected Directors.

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed Directors, at a renunciation of \$5,000, on the proposal of Mr C. Blake, seconded by Mr I. F. Autcott.

Present at the meeting were Mr Robert Gordon (Chairman), the Hon Sir Man-kam Lo, Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon P. V. Cassidy, Mr N. O. C. Marsh, Mr H. D. Benham (Directors), Mr W. F. Simmons (General Manager), Mr W. H. Patterson (Secretary) and the following shareholders: Major C. W. L. Way, Messrs E. Grant Smith, James T. Choy, C. C. Blake, C. N. Kong, I. F. Autcott, A. H. Penn, A. Piercy, A. E. Ellis, H. J. Young and Henry S. Leung.

## Governor To Inaugurate Rediffusion

Rediffusion will be officially inaugurated at 7.15 p.m. today when HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, is to speak from the newly-created studios of Broadcast Relay Service (Hongkong) Ltd., at the corner of Hennessy Road and Arsenal Street, Wanchai.

To mark the occasion, a large number of guests have been invited to a cocktail party this evening at the studios.

The first artist to broadcast from the studios after the inauguration will be six-year-old Wu Shuk-ying, daughter of Mr Wu Shun-tak, manager of the Queen's Theatre. She will give a short piano recital.

Although the service officially begins tonight, experimental programmes have been relayed to subscribers for over a week. Both the type of programmes supplied and quality of reception have drawn favourable comment.

### NO CHINA PEACE TALKS YET

Shanghai, Mar. 22.—Veteran diplomat W. W. Yen, head of the recent unoffical Shanghai peace delegation to Peiping, does not think peace talks between the Nationalists and the Reds will be started before April.

Once the talks begin, Yen says they probably will drag on for at least two months.

But he is confident peace will be achieved because "both sides need peace."—Associated Press.

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



## 16 Year-Old Girl Found Murdered

Milwaukee, Mar. 21.—The police are searching for the missing sister of 16-year-old Patricia Birmingham, attractive high school student whose body was found weighted with a concrete block in the Milwaukee River.

Her sister, Kathleen, 17, has been absent from home since Friday, when she left a note saying she was eloping. Her parents reported the note said that Kathleen was running away with a 19-year-old youth and she took her complete wardrobe with her.

The police said they saw no direct connection between the disappearance and the slaying, but admitted they were "particularly interested" in questioning the young couple.

Four boys, all about Patricia's age, have been questioned by the police. Six others were summoned for questioning.

Detectives said Patricia apparently had been killed by "someone her own age, whom she knew very well." However, they learned very little from the youths questioned.

The body was taken from the river on Sunday by a fireboat crew who were searching for another woman who had leaped from the bridge during the day.—United Press.

"I'm scared, too, but don't call Dad! He'll be sore because we switched from the nursery tales to this murder program!"

## Atlantic Pact May Cause Russia To Leave UN

London, Mar. 21.—Observers here believe that the Soviet Union will take step at the next United Nations meeting—beginning at Lake Success on April 5—to condemn the North Atlantic Pact as incompatible with its Charter.

*This would be done with the implied threat that if the United Nations approved the terms of the pact, Russia would no longer consider that it was serving the purpose for which it was created at San Francisco, and would have to consider withdrawing from the organisation.*

## Surgeon's Successful Appeal

### Wrong Diagnosis Not Negligence

London, Mar. 21.—A surgeon, who was said to have wrongly diagnosed in 1942 that a patient, an American, would die of cancer in a few months, today appealed successfully against a £6,300 damages award.

The surgeon, Mr John Bowman Hunter, had been ordered to pay the damages to Mr James Forbes Whiteford. Mr Whiteford complained in the original action that Mr Hunter and Dr Seymour Gled had wrongfully diagnosed his condition.

As a result of the diagnosis, Mr Whiteford gave up his flat, sold his business and belongings in England and returned to the United States. He was seen by a surgeon in New York, who found no evidence of cancer.

Mr Justice Birkett held that Mr Hunter was negligent in making his diagnosis and awarded Mr Whiteford £2,000 general damages and £4,300 special damages. He dismissed the case against Dr Gled.

Today, Mr Hunter appealed against these findings.

Lord Justice Asquith, giving the appeal judgment, said the question was whether Mr Hunter, in making a mistake, was guilty of negligence. There was a cross appeal by Mr Whiteford in dismissing the action against Dr Gled. This was dismissed with costs.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords—the highest Appeal Court—was granted in respect of the appeal and the cross appeal.—Reuter.

### Lashio Retaken

Rangoon, Mar. 21.—The Burmese government today said it has retaken the Northern town of Lashio from rebel forces "without casualties."

The report said Lashio was held by an insurgent offshoot of the PVO (People's Volunteer Organisation), which also holds the Northern mining town of Namtu.

Another report said Communist prisoners broke out of gaol in Karen-held Mandalay and attacked two police stations in the neighbouring district of Ronyata.

But he is confident peace will be achieved because "both sides need peace."—Associated Press.

## Radio Hongkong

### HKTB Programme Summary

Children's Story: "Toytown," by S. G. Huime Beaman (BBCB); 6.30, Cantonese by Radio Given by Mr. Lee, General Manager, S. G. Huime Beaman.

Music and News Analysis (Dixieland Band): 7.00, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, Speech by Mr. Asquith, President Sir Alexander Grantham (K.C.M.G.) at the Opening of Rediffusion; 7.25, Interlude; 7.30, "Down Memory Lane," Presented by Alfie Lee (BBCB); 8.00, "Farewell Editorials" (London Relay); 8.10, "Nothing but Music," Sidney Torch and the Queen's Hall Light Orchestra (ORFC); 8.30, "Twenty Questions" (Guests: Allen Dakker, Douglas Gall, John Colley, Guest: Sheldagh Norman, Question Master: Peter Johnson); 8.45, "Te-Union in Vienna," by Robert Sherwood, With James Mason and Pamela Calle, 10.00, "Music and News" (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.15, Chamber Music Recital—"Sonatas"; Grieg: Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45, Sergei Rachmaninoff (PIANO); 10.45, Music for Dancing; 11.15, Weather Report and Close Down.

### Closing Times By Sea

Hongkong, Noon.

Straits, Ceylon, Madrascar, Aden,

East Africa, Durban, 2 p.m.

Strait, Rangoon and Calcutta, 3 p.m.

Haliphont, 3 p.m.

Swatow, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22

Closing Times By Air

Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bombay, Madras, Colombo, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, 10 a.m. (reg); 10.30 a.m. (ord).

Australia, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada), 2 p.m.

Japan, 2 p.m.

Malaya, Mauritius and South Africa, 2 p.m.

Strait, Rangoon and Calcutta, 3 p.m.

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Swatow, 3 p.m.

Thursday, March 24

Closing Times By Air

Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bombay, Madras, Colombo, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, 10 a.m. (reg); 10.30 a.m. (ord).

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## GOLDEN GLOVES

# Ramsey Bucks To Concede 8 Lbs. To Bob Pulling

By "KAYO CURLY"

When Ramsey Bucks, the Shanghai fighter and former Hongkong featherweight champion, goes into the ring against Bob Pulling of the Royal Navy at the China Fleet Club Theatre on the evening of April 2 in the main event of the Golden Gloves Boxing Association, he will be conceding some eight lbs.

Pulling, who is now in the middleweight class, is slimming down to 142 lbs. to meet Bucks. If he fails to make the weight, P. O. Scullings of HMS "London" will pinch-hit for him.

Promoter Jim Rainey promises to treat local boxing fans to an evening of topnotch boxing with a seven-round programme and a weight-lifting exhibition thrown in.

The fight of the season will be the main event of Rainey's classy programme. Bob Pulling, pride of the Royal Navy who has blazed a trail of glory in the local boxing world, will be mixing leather with the Colony's one and only Ramsey Bucks, local featherweight champion in 1941 and son of the late "Iron" Bux, former champion of the Orient in all classes from the bantam to the middleweight.

This bout is the boxing match fight-hungry fans have been awaiting a long time. Two speedy, crafty, and slugging ring gladiators will go all out for six three-minute rounds to uphold their individual laurels.

## STRING OF VICTORIES

Pulling has so far taken on all comers, and has a whole string of victories to his name. A man of a masterful and experienced boxer who is naturally gifted in the ring.

All his challengers have been beaten on points and there are few fighters in the Colony who have stood up to his speed, tigerlike onslaught. This Navy favourite is the champion of champions. His impressive record speaks volumes. Pulling has held the following titles during his career:

Royal Navy Champion of Great Britain—

Featherweight ... 1937

Lightweight ... 1938

Southern Division Champion of Great Britain—

Lightweight ... 1939

Mediterranean Fleet Champion—

Lightweight ... 1941/43

Inter-Services Welter and Middleweight Champion—

1947/48.

Pulling is now in the middleweight class but expects to bring his fighting weight down to 142 lbs. when he clashes with Bucks. The Navy boxer has had eight victories in the local ring and is looking forward to his scrap with the hard-hitting Bucks.

He is hard in training for the biggest fight of his local career. Rumours from reliable sources are that this will be Pulling's last fight in the Colony as he will be leaving the Hongkong Station in June.

## RAMSEY BUCKS

Ramsey Bucks needs no introduction to local fight fans, who still remember his brilliant boxing exhibitions in 1941 when he took all challengers in stride. Bucks first started hisastic career in 1937 and had a classy record before Pearl Harbour.

He scored a great victory when he annexed the local featherweight title in 1941. Bucks was in Macao during the Japanese invasion and was pitted against the flashy Kid Pedroso in a 10-round bout which he won on points after a thrilling slugfest.

Considering that Pulling just managed to eke out a narrow points victory over the same but more seasoned Pedroso last year, Bucks should be able to hold his own against the best the Navy boy can offer.

Bucks was in Shanghai during the 1947-48 fight season and during his brief career in that Northern port he had nine bouts—a gruelling grind for any boxer.

Ramsey's Shanghai record is six victories against three points setbacks. He scored a koy in one of his encounters and was always a very popular fighter in Shanghai's cosmopolitan boxing world.

Ramsey returned to the Colony just a fortnight ago and has been undergoing extensive

## COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

# JUNIOR MATCHES STILL HOLD THE LIMELIGHT

## Player Worn Off The Court In Quarter-Final

By "SIDELINER"

*The juniors continue to hold the limelight in the Colony Badminton Championships. One of the best singles matches yet seen, the Senior Division not excepted, came in the quarter-final of the Junior Open Singles last night as J. A. Soares literally ran K. S. Thong off the court.*

*Those who saw the match will remember for many a day a display of indomitable "guts" on the one hand and an exhibition of masterly strategy on the other.*

*Employing tactics which were meant to tire his opponent, Soares actually ran Thong to a standstill, so much so that Thong had to retire in the deciding set when leading 9-6, exhausted to the point where he was unable to continue.*

*Right from the start the two played a smashing game with no quarter asked or given. Both have the hardest overhead smash in the Junior Division and it is still a debatable point who has the harder one.*

*However, whereas Soares was content to use his sparingly, Thong attempted to smash on every other stroke.*

*In the initial game, Soares ran*

*into a 5-0 and then a 7-1 lead through Thong oversmashing. Thong erred in the first game and used up much of his energy.*

*The smashes that went in*

*were returned by Soares who forced Thong to advance to the net to retrieve the returns whereupon Soares would lob for the back court and Thong*

*would then attempt a smash on the run. The first game*

*eventually went to Soares 15-4.*

*The second game again saw*

*Soares running up a lead of 8-1. Both were revelling in*

*smashes with Soares the more accurate of the two.*

*Thong began to feel the pace and appeared breathless at this period. Soares changed his game at this point, attempting short returns to force Thong to run.*

*Through his misjudging his drops and the sudden recovery of Thong who apparently had obtained his second wind, the score was levelled at 8-8 and then Thong forged into the lead at 12-9 with some fine overhead smashes.*

*Thong appeared to find Soares' backhand the weakest link in his armour and constantly placed his shots to the backhand corner. Thong led 14-11 through more smashing but at this point he seemed to be "out on his feet" and playing on "guts" alone.*

*The score crept to 14-13 when Thong suddenly came to life and smashed the shuttle to the backhand corner to win the second game 15-13.*

*The ten minutes interval seemed to have done Thong a world of good.*

## WHIRLWIND TACTICS

*He started in a whirlwind fashion, winning points by sheer power. Soares began to lob and was content to keep the shuttle in play.*

*With Thong leading 8-2 Soares unleashed several of his tremendous smashes intermingled with drops and cross-court drives which kept the tired Thong on the run.*

*With the score 4-9 against him, Soares employed his drops to an advantage and won two more points to trail 6-9.*

*At this point Thong, evidently overcome by fatigue, retired and conceded the match to Soares.*

*It was truly a magnificent display by winner and loser alike, but one must not forget from the merit of Soares' win as he proved himself a very versatile player indeed and able to adapt himself to the conditions of the game. On that point alone he deserved his victory.*

## SOARES v. CHONG

*Another Junior Singles quarter-final match was between R. M. Soares and K. P. Chong which resulted in a win for Chong at 15-8, 15-2.*

*This game was in contrast with the other Singles game wherein, at the most, there were four overhead smashes strokes, all of them made by Chong.*

*Soares was content with playing his opponent's game of placements but he lacked the accuracy and judgment of his adversary.*

*Chong was the steadier player and placed his shots at will, while Soares did not have full command of his strokes though every once in a while he pulled off a marvellous recovery which left Chong looking on in bewilderment.*

*Had Soares relied more on his smashing, in which department he is very competent, he might have pulled the game out of the fire and brought off minor upset.*

*Of course, this is rubbish for professionals in most sports are usually very well treated in Britain today. At least, a golf professional, Jack McLean, the former Scottish amateur champion, says so.*

## JUNIOR MIXED DOUBLES

*C. Quinn & Miss Yolanda Franco proved themselves the pair to be watched last evening in defeat-*

## ON THE RECORD

## Are Cricketers Athletes?

*Are cricketers athletes? The question was answered very much in the affirmative in the University sports when four members of the University 1st XI won six individual championships—the 100 and 220 yards, long jump, shot put, discus and javelin throws—and scored a total of 57 points between them, more than enough to win the Inter-Hotel Championship had there been a hotel reserved strictly for cricketers.*

*In five years' time most of Recreco's team will have aged 40 and the situation is not dissimilar in most other clubs.*

*The reason for this is the absence of that type of keen spirit that the late Rev C. B. R. Sargent used to infuse into school cricket in his reign as Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School.*

*Touching on "Spotty" Pereira, one cannot pass over his wife, Peggy, who is Recreco's scorer, but not the only feminine scorer in the First Division.*

*Peggy Pereira has been rugged all season in a concerted effort to convince her that she improves on Spotty's averages by putting the runs knocked off him on the analysis of one or other of the bowling Gascons.*

*Having been partly responsible, I must finally stand up in defence of her and admit that the Gascons' bowling averages remain their own. Peggy is scrupulously fair to all members of the Recreco team but I have a feeling that she would like to see more of the earlier batsmen dismissed. There was a look of triumph on her face the other day when Spotty carried his bat for nine.*

—"RECODER".

League Cricket Averages  
BATTING:

	Inn.	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Aver.
G. N. Gosano (Recreo)	17	6	499	62*	45.27
A. M. Prata (Recreo)	14	5	387	85*	43.00
L. F. Stokes (Scorpiions)	16	2	593	110	42.35
J. M. Gosano (University)	14	3	417	122*	37.90
H. Owen-Hughes (Scorpiions)	12	0	213	30*	35.50
T. A. Pearce (Scorpiions)	11	1	329	85	32.00
Major A. R. Dawe (Army)	13	3	309	70	30.00
Dr. E. L. Gosano (Optimists)	15	3	350	91	29.63
L. D. Kilbey (Optimists)	14	4	284	70	20.40
A. D. Kilbey (Optimists)	15	2	349	85*	20.84
W. M. Davidson (KCC)	9	1	206	63	25.75
O. R. Oliver (Optimists)	15	0	369	64	24.60
O. J. Kerr (Scorpiions)	14	4	232	53	23.20
G. A. Souza (Craignegowen)	10	4	277	49	23.08
F. Howarth (Scorpiions)	12	3	203	57*	22.55
D. Chelliah (University)	14	0	305	81	21.78
G. L. Gosano (Recreo)	14	2	253	56	21.08
A/C J. S. Beirne (RAF)	13	2	219	71	19.00
G. T. Rowe (Optimists)	10	1	270	61	18.60
M. M. Little (Optimists)	15	1	250	50*	17.85
M. C. R. Murray-Brown (Army)	15	2	206	52*	15.84
M. Hart-Baker (KCC)	15	0	222	60	14.80
A. R. Abbott (IRC)	17	3	205	48	14.64
S. Ramchand (Craignegowen)	17	0	218	53	12.82
M. L. Ruzack (IRC)	16	0	201	45	12.56

Not Out. Qualification: 200 runs.

## BOWLING:

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Aver.
S. M. Teh (University)	100	26	545	30	18.16
T. Crabtree (Craignegowen)	233.4	41	735	42	17.50
H. Owen-Hughes (Scorpiions)	90.4	0	301	22	16.40
A. el Arculli, Jr (IRC)	152.2	35	501	34	14.73
A. L. Smuth (Optimists)	107.5	20	349	24	14.54
K. I. Ismail (IRC)	103.5	17	347	24	14.45
P. J. Billimoria (CCC)	251.3	41	339	64	13.10
E. Lee (KCC)	154.1	26	444	35	12.68
D. McLellan (Optimists)	80.1	0	290	23	12.60
CPO L. White (Royal Navy)	103.5	30	500	41	12.19
T. P. Mahon (Optimists)	100.5	39	685	40	12.18
H. L. Leon (University)	101.4	32	602	52	11.57
F/O E. N. Gamblin (RAF)	143	29	399	36	11.08*
F.					

# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

A Little Trickery Makes Ten Tricks

♦ 52	♦ 732		
♦ Q4	♦ KQ32		
♦ A86	♦ AK104		
♦ A J108	♦ QJ96		
♦ 75	♦ None		
♦ A76	♦ J1095		
♦ QJ73	♦ K104		
♦ K104	♦ K932		
♦ K932	♦ 84		
Rubber—E-W vul.			
South	West	North	East
Pass	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	Pass
Opening—#0		11	

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

AEROPLANE travel is bringing about more international bridge competition each year. Last year, two American teams flew to South America to meet teams of that region. A number of players from Jamaica participate in the U.S. championship meets. As a matter of fact, Jamaica has several players who have won some of the U.S. championships.

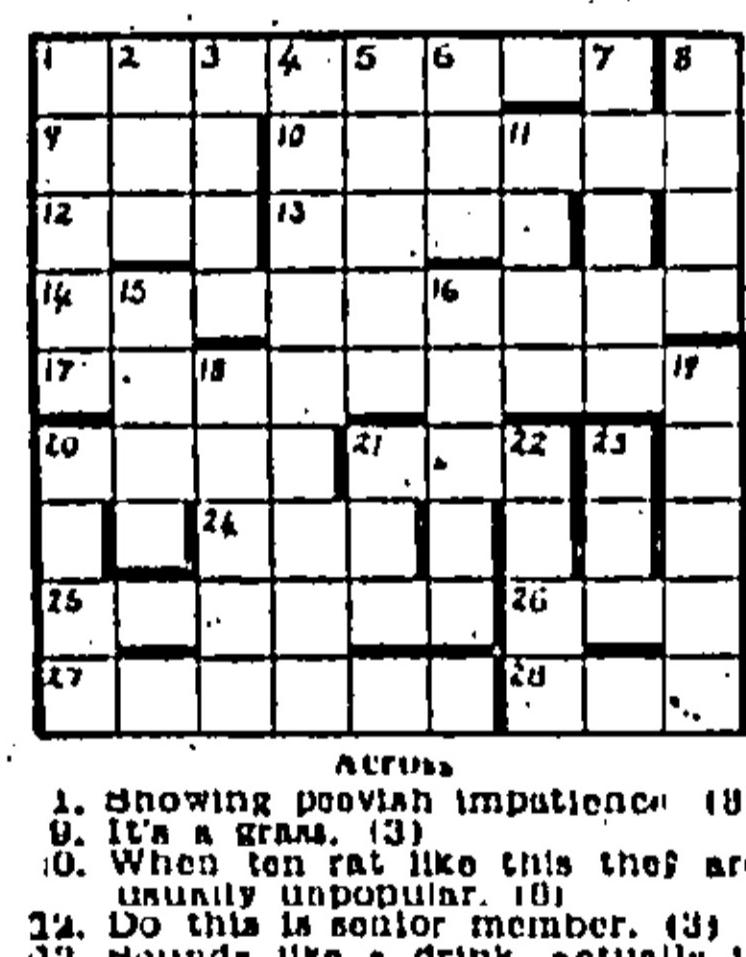
Frank E. Lyons of Kingston, Jamaica, sent me today's hand. Mr. Lyons is a member of the executive council of the Jamaican Chamber of Commerce, and is an ardent bridge follower. He tried to get me into the argument as to how the bidding on this hand should go.

I have given the bidding as it took place in Jamaica. When West bid three spades, some of our optimistic bidders here would go to four spades, due to the fact that partner had originally opened the bidding. Four spades can be made if South can be tricked a little bit, with the following line of play.

The opening lead of the eight of clubs is won in dummy with the ace, and the ace of hearts and ace of diamonds are cashed. Now the five of diamonds is trumped by declarer with the four of spades, and the jack of hearts is led. If South plays the ten-spot, declarer can make four-odd. He discards dummy's six of clubs on this trick, then leads the six of hearts from his own hand, trumps South's king in dummy, trumps a diamond in his hand, and leads the queen of hearts.

South's best defense is to trump this with the jack of spades, and dummy's seven of clubs is discarded. South will return a spade, which declarer wins with the king. Then he should play the jack of clubs, trump it in dummy, and the ace of spades gives him his tenth trick.

## CROSSWORD



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2. It's a grail. (3)  
3. What you take like this they are usually unpopular. (10)  
4. Do this is senior member. (3)  
5. Sounds like drink, actually it makes you feel connected. (10)  
6. It's a treat, but you often pay for it. (9)  
7. West was all cotton for? (9)  
8. Conan Doyle's was speckled. (14)  
9. Fancy finding respect in a drawer. (14)  
10. Minus five. (10)  
11. Found in a little brown jug. (13)  
12. Heated but don't have a material value. (10)  
13. Units in Sweden any day. (3)  
14. Down  
15. His name is John. (3)  
16. It's from the west end. (3)  
17. It's sometimes pitched, sometimes struck. (4)  
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## BRONCHO BILL

To help Bill's rose, a lad in

interrupts the lynch mob with

Bill's fake story.

PRAIRIE SCHOONER BROKE

DOWN ON THE PLAINS

THE TRAILERS

WERE THREATENED

BY INJUNS.

## SCIENCE AT WORK

### GIGGLING PORPOISES STARTLE SCIENTISTS

AUCKLAND, New Zealand.—Whales whoop, porpoises giggle, shrimps snap and toadfish coo like pigeons, believe it or not.

Records played by oceanographers to startled scientists at the Pacific Science Congress in Auckland proved the ocean isn't the silent place some people think.

Fish even get together at certain times of the day to join in chorus. Dr Martin W. Johnson, of the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, played the "sunrise chorus" off the pier at the institute in California to prove it. It sounded like

A croaker drumming on its air bladder in Chesapeake Bay rattles like a machine-gun. A spot-fin croaker emits a distinct "raspberry," later moving into high-pitched syncopated clicking reminiscent of a jazz band drummer, to which Johnson listened.

A gurnard, a fish common in New Zealand waters, expresses itself with a dissatisfied grunt.

"Apparently they are able to keep track of each other by these sounds," Johnson said.

(Tomorrow—Book Parade.)

## Check Your Knowledge

1. Which is the largest island in Pacific Ocean?

2. Rickets is caused by the deficiency of what vitamin?

3. What is limestone in its hardest and most crystalline form called?

4. On what day does Belgium celebrate her national holiday and what occasion does she celebrate?

5. Which archipelago comprises 7,083 islands?

6. According to the Bible, who killed 800 men with a spear?

(Answers in Column 1)

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Mr. Punch's New Riddles

—He Asked the Shadows to Guess Them—

By MAX TRELL

"Ah," said Mr. Punch, as Knarf and Hanif, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, entered the playroom, "You're just the persons I want to see."

Knarf and Hanif came up and stood smiling beside Mr. Punch's chair. "Why do you want to see us?" Hanif asked.

"I've just written some zoos," replied Mr. Punch.

Knarf clapped his hands and cried: "Let's hear them!"

**Opened the Drawer.**

At this, Mr. Punch opened the drawer of his desk and took out his little notebook. He opened it up to the first page. "I'll read the riddles; they're all about animals. You are to guess which ones they are."

Then he read the first zooriddle.

"Four legs have I,  
And a head, of course.  
I'm striped like a pole,  
And I look like a horse."

After a moment's thought, Hanif exclaimed: "It's a zebra!"

Mr. Punch nodded. "That's right. Though I really should have said barber-pole, instead of just pole."

"That's why I couldn't guess it," said Knarf.

Mr. Punch went on and read the second zooriddle. It went:

"I sleep in the river,  
But I'm not a frog.  
If you don't watch me closely,  
You'll think I'm a log."

This was Knarf's chance to guess the riddle. "It's an alligator," added Hanif.

"Or a crocodile," added Hanif.

"My goodness," said Mr. Punch, "You're both certainly smart today. Now see if you can guess this one.

"All day long  
For nuts I hunt.  
Some folks think  
My tail's in front."

This time, Knarf and Hanif were really puzzled and remained silent for such a long time, trying to guess the animal by the riddle, that finally Mr. Punch said: "Do you give up?"

"Does it really have a tail in front?" Knarf wanted to know.

**Not Really.**

"No," said Mr. Punch. "It isn't really in front. It's tail is in back but it has something in front of its head that looks very much like a tail."

Suddenly Hanif smiled. "Is it a very big animal, Mr. Punch?"

"Yes, indeed. One of the biggest," said Mr. Punch.

"And can you see it sometimes at the circus?"

Mr. Punch nodded.

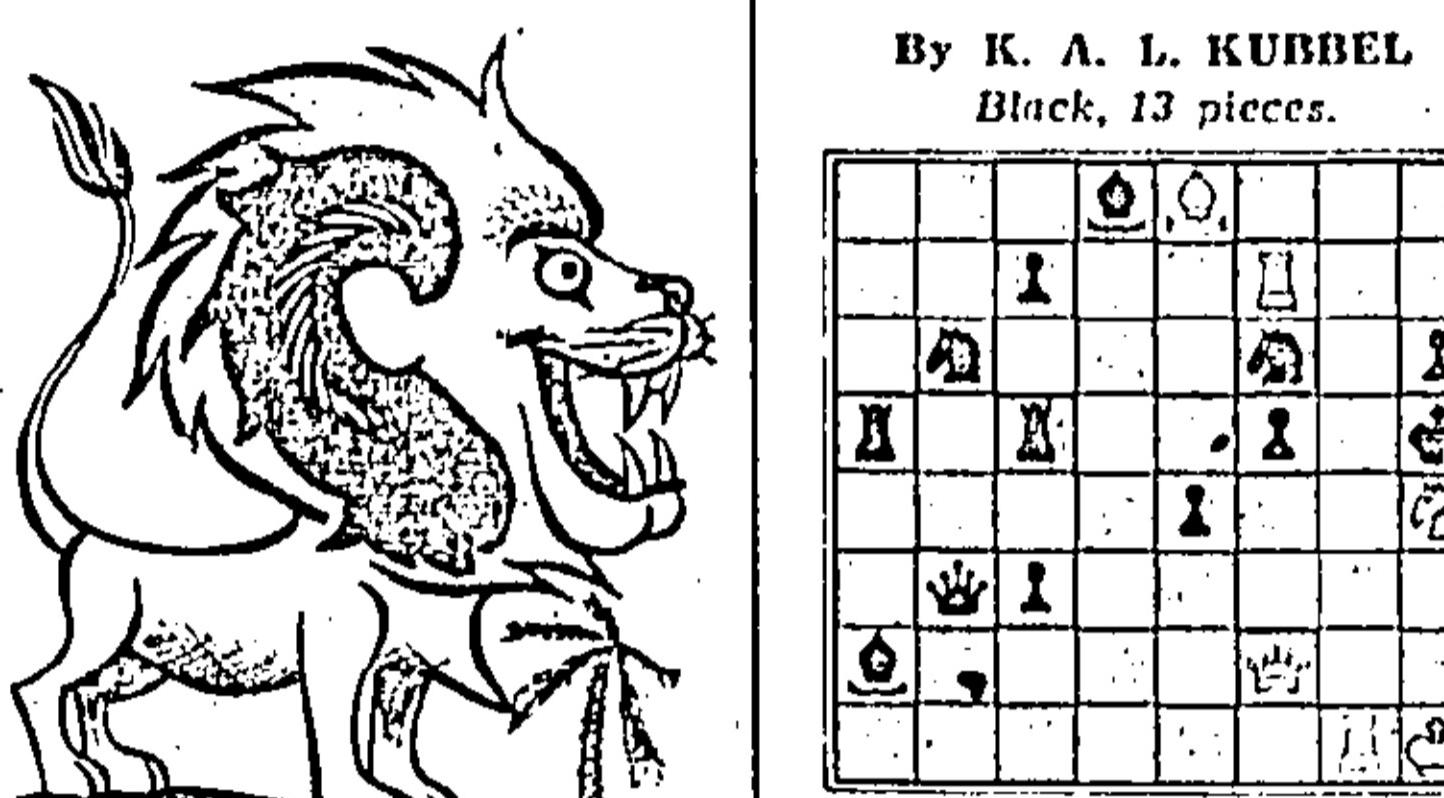
"It's an elephant," said Knarf.

Mr. Punch was very happy that Knarf and Hanif were able to guess their little guide.

"There," says their little guide, "those contain the smoke and the mist and the fog and take it wherever it is wanted." "It's all perfectly marvellous!" says Rupert.

"One thing still puzzles me. Do you think anybody really wants logs?"

If your answer to this one is a monkey, Mr. Punch will tell you that you're right.



White, 6 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1, ♠—QKt1, any; 2, ♠ mates.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, MARCH 22

BORN today, you are temperamental, artistic and inclined to be a little too pleasure seeking for your own good. You are, fortunately, an excellent organizer. Having a philosophical attitude towards life, you do not worry too much about what is going to happen. Sometimes you don't worry enough and depend upon your natural talents to see you through a crisis.

Remember that if you are to reach the heights to which your talents entitle you, too, must work. You have a powerful imagination and you must guard against using so much energy in building air castles that you have little left to make those dreams come true.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—You may depend upon things turning in your direction today. Even romance appears to be for you!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Routine matters, involving practical applications of honesty and strictness, are impotent.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—New plans for the future and impending success in your plans augur well. A bright, optimistic day.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Social contacts can improve your business connections if you are diplomatic. Make progress.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Moderately good for most of your business plans, but don't push things too fast. Slow and steady wins best results.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Good on the home front and all round. You are more inclined to enjoy yourself than to work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Romance may intersect itself in your work-a-day world. Accept it as part of the optimistic picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 21)—Combine business and social contacts for the advancement of your career. Make definite gains now.

By Harry F. O'Neill

From Under Their Noses

I'LL DRIVE A WAGON OUT AND PICK 'EM UP!

CARE-BILL! THAT'S AUGH, YOU'RE CARRYING MANNING OFF! THEY'LL KILL YOU!

WITH IRON NERVES, BRONCHO BILL PASSES THE ANGRY BUT UNSUSPECTING MOB.

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# Mr. Truman Urges Prompt Ratification Of Atlantic Pact

Washington, Mar. 21.—President Truman urged prompt Senate ratification of the North Atlantic Pact as his aides speeded completion of the arms for Europe programme today. The President, in a letter to Senator Arthur V. Watkins, hailed the treaty as a step towards peace. Senator Watkins promised to read the letter in the Senate later today.

Mr. Truman plans to send the treaty to the Senate for ratification as soon as it is signed here next month.

A United Press poll showed top-heavy support for the pact. Of the Senators willing to comment, 52 said they would vote for ratification while only two said they would oppose it.

Spurred by Soviet tough talk abroad and congressional demands for final approval and made public within 10 days. The demands from Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, and other legislators for full information on the new lend-lease plan before the pact is ratified apparently will be met.

The arms plan, now being drafted by the military, the State Department and foreign recovery officials, is said to be motivated by these factors:

1. New rounds of charges by Russia, her satellites and Communists in the West that the treaty pledging joint action against any attack means aggressive encirclement on the part of the United States.

2. Expressions of doubt about the arms programme from such Republican leaders as Senator Robert Taft and Mr. John Foster Dulles, Republican foreign affairs adviser.

3. Demands from Democrats and Republicans alike that before the Senate debates on the pact it must know the cost and extent of the arms shipments programming and whether a larger military programme at home will be asked.

## CASE FOR RATIFICATION

Meanwhile, sources close to Senator Vandenberg and Chairman Tom Connally of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said they were preparing to carry the case for the treaty ratification to the Senate on these grounds:

1. The pact itself would carry no actual increase in American overseas commitments because even now this country could not stand idly by in the event of a large-scale war in Europe.

2. The use of armed forces under the pact could not be touched off by a so-called "incident" even one of such a serious nature as an attack on a United States plane flying over the Berlin airlift. An incident would, however, call the pact into force and probably bring an order to desist and make suitable preparations. If such action were not forthcoming, the pact powers, then would be expected to invoke sanctions ranging from the recall of diplomats to the ultimate use of force.

3. The pact will contribute to world security by placing the United States for the first time in history squarely on record as an interested and active party in the event of aggression in Europe.—United Press.

## PACT DEFENDED

Rome, Mar. 21.—Italy's Foreign Minister, Count Storza, accused Russia today of dividing the world into two with a formula of aggression.

He told the Senate that the Atlantic Defence Pact is the "only last possible guarantee of peace."

The Count, who has led post-war Italy into steadily closer relation with the West, charged Moscow with beginning the formation of the first bloc.

This he said, "destroyed the principles of the UN and nullified the capacity of this organization to guarantee peace and direct reconstruction."

"This divided East from West." It is natural, he said, "that Western Europe should begin to search for other formulae to obtain these two results (peace and reconstruction)."

Storza accused Russia of following a formula "not only by aggression but also of the simple threat of aggression" date by date and nation by nation. The Foreign Minister listed what he termed Soviet blows against peace, collective security and re-construction.

**BLOW TO EQUILIBRIUM**  
He said that post-war disarmament was undertaken solely on the part of the Western powers. This was the first blow to the equilibrium which the UN sought to stabilize.

"Another grave blow to the vitality of the UN was the continued and indiscriminate use of the veto by Russia and only by Russia."

## Pope Marks Anniversary



Pope Pius XII raises his hand in blessing as he rides in a portable throne on his way to the Sistine Chapel to celebrate the 10th anniversary of his coronation. The Vatican City ceremonies were curtailed somewhat because of "sorrowful conditions" facing the church in some parts of the world.—AP Picture.

## France & Portugal May Lose India Possessions

New Delhi, Mar. 21.—European possessions in India—those of France and Portugal—must eventually be merged in the Government of India, according to the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru.

The question came up during a discussion in Parliament over India payments of 1,148,000 rupees to the French-Indian Government.

Mr. Nehru said India was considering "whether under present conditions it will be advantageous to continue all or any of them." The payments were in fulfillment of agreements made with the French at various times.

During the discussion Mr. Nehru added:

"There is only one future for these possessions—merger with the rest of India. Geographically, politically, strategically, economically, and culturally there is no other alternative. "But," he said, "the Government of India is trying to solve this peacefully and with goodwill of the foreign powers from

## Middle-Road Govt. Wins Elections

Paris, Mar. 21.—Henri Queuille's middle-of-the-road government won France's local elections, the Interior Ministry said tonight.

The score in Sunday's voting,

the Ministry said, was: 51.12 percent of the vote to the parties in the government, 48.88 percent to the government's bitter opponents—the Communists and followers of General De Gaulle.

The consensus of neutral ob-

servers was that Queuille's moderate pro-West government has been strengthened by the vote.

It should not be forgotten that the parties in the government are united at least temporarily in a coalition cabinet while Queuille's opponents are divided.

## PERSONAL SUCCESS

De Gaulle won something of a personal success in polling 25.34 percent of the vote, the largest gathered by any single party.

But the government still has a two to one advantage over the General, who wants to take power to give France what he says is the strong leadership she needs.

The Communists also showed they are still a force to be reckoned with—despite the Atlantic Pact, the European Recovery Programme and the Berlin airlift.

They polled the second highest number of votes, 23.54 percent.

But the government also has a two to one advantage over the Communists, who want to overthrow the government because they say it is too pro-American.

De Gaulle and the Communists detest one another.—Associated Press.

## Speech-Making For Funds

New York, Mar. 21.—Moshe Sharett, Israeli's Foreign Minister, embarked today on a speech-making campaign for the United Jewish Appeal, now airing to raise \$250,000,000.

Sharett began his coast to coast tour in Baltimore today and visits Cincinnati on Tuesday, Pittsburgh Wednesday, Chicago Thursday and Friday, and New York on Saturday.

The trip will eventually take him to Los Angeles where he is expected on April 3.—Associated Press.



"I'd like something that doesn't make too much noise when it's being broken."

## Chinese Reds' Call To Indonesians

### CREATE A "PROLETARIAN-LED REVOLUTIONARY ARMY"

San Francisco, Mar. 21.—The Chinese Communists told the Indonesian Republicans on Monday that they could beat the Dutch only by going Communist and establishing a united front with Soviet Russia.

The long broadcast was heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press. It urged the Indonesians to create a "proletarian-led revolutionary army", to start with guerrilla warfare, build up the Communist party, and prepare to capture the big cities later.

Tracing the history of the Indonesian Republican movement, the broadcast said the Republic's leaders were reactionaries who "pursued anti-Communist and anti-popular policies at home and refused to establish friendly relations and exchange of consuls and diplomatic missions with the Soviet Union abroad."

This, it said, "placed them in complete opposition to the people at home and abroad," and was responsible for their failure to achieve national liberation.

It described the present Indonesian Republican leaders, along with leaders of the Philippines, India, Pakistan, Iran and South Korea, as "feeble minded bourgeoisie of the East". They deemed that weak nations cannot attain liberation without relying on imperialism, and that even should they attain independence they can hardly exist without American aid.—Associated Press.

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## POCKET CARTOON



## CABINET DISAGREES

Brussels, Mar. 21.—The early dissolution of the Belgian Parliament to be followed by general elections within 40 days was suggested on Monday at a cabinet meeting.

The reason for such a drastic political suggestion was the increasing difficulties in reaching an agreement between the Socialists and Catholics on main political issues.

Though never officially announced, the government plan was confirmed by several cabinet ministers.

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